

**REMARKS**

The only issues raised by the present office action is that claims 1-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. However, the present Office Action also indicates that claims 1-21 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Applicant thanks the Examiner for this indication of allowability, and addresses the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as follows.

Independent claims 1 and 9 are explicitly rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as indefinite as lacking sufficient antecedent basis for the element “selected medium.” Also, the Office Action explicitly indicates that claim 15 (a dependent claim) is rejected on the same grounds. However, since claim 15 does not explicitly recite the element “selected medium” and claim 16 is an independent claim that explicitly recites the element “selected medium,” Applicant assumes the Examiner intended to cite claim 16 (along with claims 1 and 9) as lacking sufficient antecedent basis for the element “selected medium” and Applicant will discuss the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph based on this assumption.

Claim 1 has been amended to replace the first occurrence of the phrase “said selected medium,” appearing in line 8 of the claim, with the phrase “a selected medium.” The one subsequent occurrence of the phrase “selected medium” in claim 1 (line 9) is preceded by the word “said.”

The first occurrence of the phrase “selected medium” in each of independent claims 9 and 16 are recited as “a selected medium” (lines 6 and 9, respectively). Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that, contrary to the contention by the Office Action, there is proper antecedent basis established in each of these claims for subsequent use of the phrase “said selected medium” in each of these independent claims and their respective dependent claims.

For the reasons presented above and/or in view of the above amendments the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph should be withdrawn. As a result, the pending application is in condition for allowance.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 08-2025, under Order No. 30014515-1, from which the undersigned is authorized to draw. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner call the below listed attorney if the Examiner believes that the attorney can be helpful in resolving any remaining issues or can otherwise be helpful in expediting prosecution of the present application.

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